

SECURE RURAL SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITY SELF-DETERMINATION ACT OF 2000
PUBLIC LAW 106-393
TITLE II PROJECT SUBMISSION FORM
USDA FOREST SERVICE

Name of Resource Advisory Committee: Fresno
Project Number (Assigned by Designated Federal Official):
Funding Fiscal Year(s): 2009

2. Project Name: Junction View – Kings Canyon Scenic Byway	3a. State: California 3b. County(s): Fresno
4. Project Submitted By: Carol Hallacy – District Recreation Officer – Hume Lake RD- Sequoia NF	5. Date: 03/27/2009
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8. Project Location: (see attached map)	
a. National Forest(s): Sequoia/Giant Sequoia National Monument	b. Forest Service District: Hume Lake
c. Location (Township-Range-Section): T.13S., R.28E., NW ¼ of section 1; M.D.B.&M. (see attached map)	

9. Project Goals and Objectives: To provide infrastructure improvements, educational opportunities, and recreational enhancements along a portion of the Kings Canyon Scenic Byway. This scenic route is the only designated national forest scenic byway on the Sequoia National Forest/Giant Sequoia National Monument and it provides the only vehicle access into the world-renowned Kings Canyon.

10. Project Description: a. Brief: Improve the Junction View Overlook by replacing the interpretive sign and installing waste and recycling receptacles (trash). b. Detailed: The Kings Canyon Scenic Byway takes visitors to world class natural wonders and through many of the Southern Sierra Life zones. Visitors travel through grasslands, oak woodlands, chaparral, mixed conifer forests, giant sequoia groves, red fir forests, and riparian woodlands along the Kings River. As the route descends into Kings Canyon, visitors are treated to panoramic vistas the second deepest river canyon in North America, showing unusual displays of folded rocks and marble roof pendants. The Junction View Overlook is located along the byway that literally takes the visitors breath away looking into the confluences of the Middle and South Forks of the Kings River. (see pictures on the next page). This project request is asking for funds to help improve one of the several vista point located along this Scenic Byway (Highway 180). The Interpretive Plan for the Sequoia National Forest/Giant Sequoia National Monument identified this by way as an important component for tourism/recreational opportunities while educating the public on the wonders that can be found along this route. This overlook is in need of a new interpretive sign(s) describing the geology and hydrology of this canyon. It is also in need of some limited facilities, specifically trash receptacles. Junction View Overlook is one of three sites needing improvements and/or upgrades to complete the recommendations outlined in the interpretive plan for this Scenic Byway.



The popularity of this overlook has grown over the years. Trash has become a major problem with people dumping it over the side of the overlook. Not only has this trash become an eyesore but it has washed down into some of the drainages that lead into the Kings River. It hasn't yet but could become a water quality problem. There also was an interpretive sign that was located at this site but has deteriorated over the years and has been vandalized to the point that it had to be removed.

This project would be in partnership with Caltrans, California Department of Corrections (CDC), Community Services and Employment Training, Inc. (CSET), along with the National Park Service Kings Canyon National Park. RAC funding would be requested for the design and production of one interpretive sign and the purchase of one double Bear Proof trash receptacle. Installation of the sign and trash receptacles would be done by Caltrans and CDC. CSET would install and maintain recycling receptacles next to the trash receptacles. Regular trash would be removed by the Forest Service as part of the servicing of additional facilities located further down in the canyon.

11. Types of Lands Involved?

State/Private/Other lands involved? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Land Status:

If Yes, specify:

12. How does the proposed project meet purposes of the Legislation? (Check at least 1)

- ☒ Improves maintenance of existing infrastructure.
- ☐ Implements stewardship objectives that enhance forest ecosystems.
- ☒ Restores and improves land health.
- ☒ Restores water quality

13. Project Type	
a. Check all that apply: (check at least 1)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Road Maintenance	<input type="checkbox"/> Trail Maintenance
<input type="checkbox"/> Road Decommission/Obliteration	<input type="checkbox"/> Trail Obliteration
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Infrastructure Maintenance (specify): Wayside exhibit	
<input type="checkbox"/> Soil Productivity Improvement	<input type="checkbox"/> Forest Health Improvement
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Watershed Restoration & Maintenance	<input type="checkbox"/> Wildlife Habitat Restoration
<input type="checkbox"/> Fish Habitat Restoration	<input type="checkbox"/> Control of Noxious Weeds
<input type="checkbox"/> Reestablish Native Species	<input type="checkbox"/> Fuels Management/Fire Prevention
<input type="checkbox"/> Community Economic Benefit	<input type="checkbox"/> Other Project Type (specify):
b. Primary Purpose (select only 1): Infrastructure Maintenance	

14. Identify What the Project Will Accomplish
Miles of road maintained:
Miles of road decommissioned/obliterated:
Number of structures maintained/improved: 2
Acres of soil productivity improved:
Miles of stream/river restored/improved:
Miles of fish habitat restored/improved:
Acres of native species reestablished:
Miles of trail maintained:
Miles of trial obliterated:
Acres of forest health improved (including fuels reduction):
Acres of rangeland improved:
Acres of wildlife habitat restored/improved:
Acres of noxious weeds controlled:
Timber volume generated:
Number of jobs generated:
People reached (for environmental education projects/fire prevention): Thousands
Direct economic activity benefit:
Other:

15. Estimated Project Start Date: June 2009	16. Estimated Project Completion Date: November 2009
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17. How will cooperative relationships among people that use federal lands be improved? List known partnerships or collaborative opportunities. This project will be in partnership with Caltrans, California Department of Corrections (CDC), Community Services and Employment Training, Inc. (CSET), along with the National Park Service Kings Canyon National Park.

18. How is this project in the best interest of the community? Identify benefits to communities. The project would benefit the community by providing upgrades to this scenic byway thus benefiting tourism in Fresno County.

19. How does the project benefit federal lands/resources? It would help to encourage the proper disposal of waste material and prevent trash from washing down into the drainages and eventually into the Kings River.

20. What is the Proposed Method(s) of Accomplishment? (check at least 1)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Contract	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Federal Workforce
<input type="checkbox"/> County Workforce	<input type="checkbox"/> Volunteers
<input type="checkbox"/> Grant	<input type="checkbox"/> Agreement
<input type="checkbox"/> Americorps	<input type="checkbox"/> CCC Crews
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (specify): CalTrans, CDC (California Department of Corrections), Community Services & Employment Training Inc.	

21. Will the Project Generate Merchantable Materials? ☐ Yes ☒ No

22. Anticipated Project Costs
a. Title II Funds Requested: \$ 6,100
b. Is this a multi-year funding request? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

23. Identify Source(s) of Other Funding: Recreation Enhancement Funds (receipts collected at the Big Stump Entrance Station) Forest Service and Park Service appropriated funds, and Caltrans maintenance funds.

24. Monitoring Plan (see attachment)

- Provide a plan that describes your process for tracking and explaining the effects of this project on your environmental and community goals outlined above.
- Identify who will conduct the monitoring:
- Identify total funding needed to carry out specified monitoring tasks (Worksheet 1, Item k):

25. Identify remedies for failure to comply with the terms of the agreement.

If project cannot be completed under the terms of this agreement:

- ☒ Unused funds will be returned to the RAC account.
- ☐ Other, please explain:

Project Recommended By:

Resource Advisory Committee Chairperson

Project Approved By:

**Forest Supervisor
Sequoia National Forest**

Project Cost Analysis Worksheet

Worksheet 1

Please submit this worksheet with your proposal

Item	Column A Fed. Agency Appropriated Contribution	Column B Requested Title II Contribution	Column C Other Contributions	Column D Total Available Funds
a. Field Work & Site Surveys	\$ 500		\$ 500	
b. NEPA/CEQA	\$ 300			
c. ESA Consultation	N/A			
d. Permit Acquisition	N/A			
e. Project Design & Engineering	N/A			
f. Contract/Grant Preparation	N/A			
g. Contract/Grant Administration	N/A			
h. Contract/Grant Cost	N/A			
i. Salaries	\$ 1,000		\$ 1,500	
j. Materials & Supplies	\$ 2,500	\$ 6,100		
k. Monitoring	\$ 500			
l. Other			\$ 400	
m. Project Sub-Total	\$ 4,800	\$ 6,100*	\$ 2,400	\$ 13,300
n. Indirect Costs	\$ 2,500	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 2,500
o. Total Cost Estimate	\$ 7,300	\$ 6,100	\$ 2,400	\$ 15,800

NOTES:

- a. Pre-NEPA Costs
- g. Includes Contracting/Grant Officer Representative (COR) costs. Excludes Contracting/Grant Officer costs.
- i. Cost of implementing project
- l. Examples include overhead charges from other partners, vehicles, equipment rentals, travel, etc.
- n. Contracting/Grant Officer costs, if needed, are included as part of Indirect Costs.

* RAC funds would cover costs for the purchase of one double Hid-A-Bag Bear Proof Trash Container at \$ 989 plus shipping and handling for a total \$1100 plus the cost for the design and manufacture of an interpretive sign estimated to be \$5,000.

Monitoring Plan

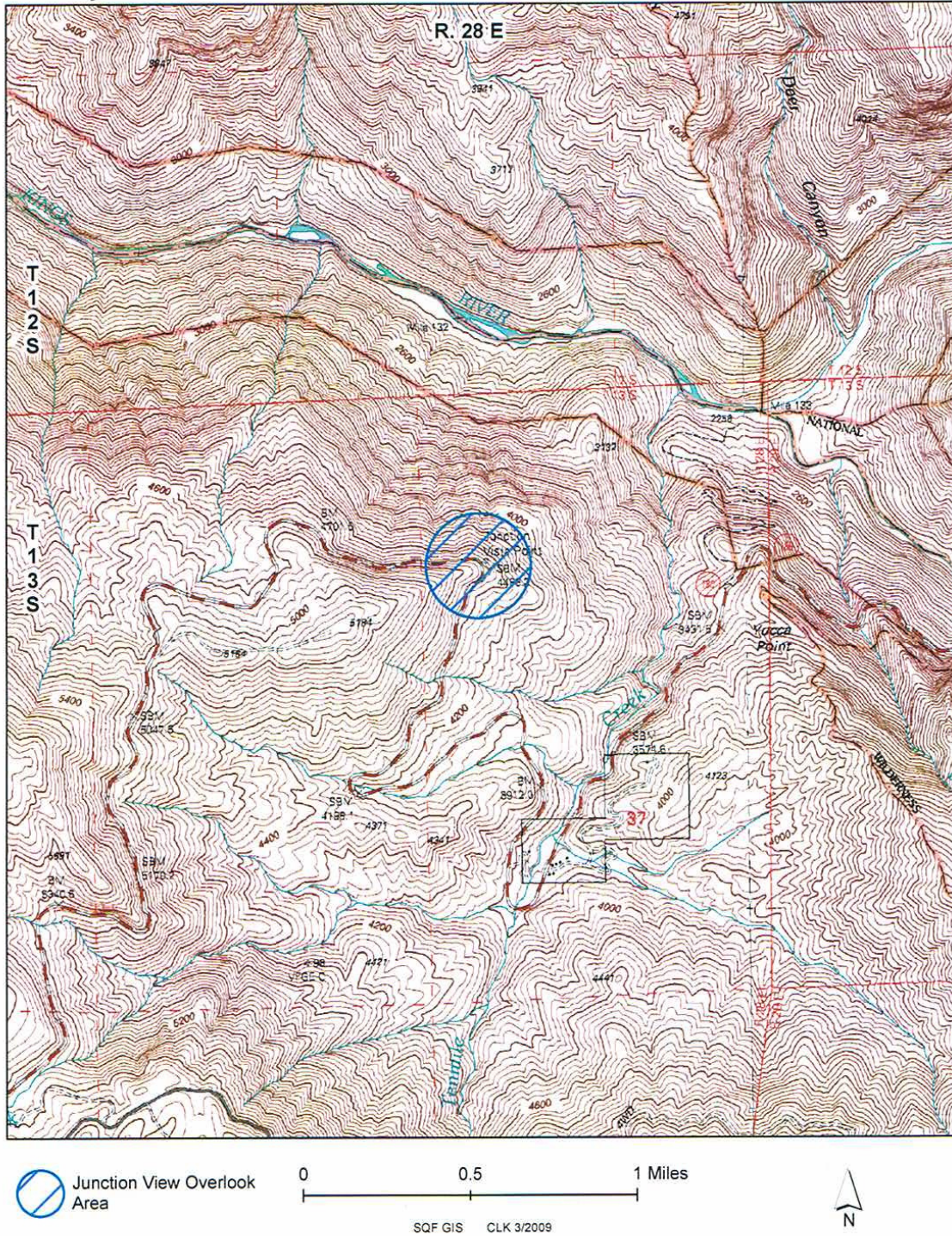
The following monitoring plan would be implemented for this project:

1. A final report would be prepared for the Fresno County Resource Advisory Committee outlining the costs of the projects, partnerships involved with the project. As part of that final report, before and after photos would be included showing that the work had been completed as designed. Once trash receptacles have been installed, improper trash disposal will be monitored to see if placing these receptacles makes a difference in the amount of trash discarded over the side of the overlook.
2. This project would be monitored primarily by Forest Service recreation personnel from the Hume lake Ranger District.
3. The costs for this monitoring are estimated to be approximately \$500 which would cover the cost of putting together a final report. Actual monitoring of the project (trash) would be done in conjunction with other monitoring activities that take place at other recreation sites in the canyon.

Location Map

*Sequoia National Forest
Giant Sequoia National Monument*

Junction View Overlook and Kings Canyon Scenic Byway



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